

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Forrest Mandeville, on January 11, 2017 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Bryce Bennett, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Wendy McKamey, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. John Fleming (D)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Walt Sales (R)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused: Chair Mandeville, Rep. A. Knudsen, Rep. Shaw

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joanne Kauzlarich, Committee Secretary
Sheri Scurr, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 67, 1/5/2017; HB 68, 1/5/2017; HB 72, 1/5/2017; HB 159, 1/5/2017

HEARING ON HB 67

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:50 Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D), HD 99, opened the hearing on HB 67, Generally revise Teachers' Retirement System.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:12:12 Shawn Graham, Teacher's Retirement System (TRS)

[EXHIBIT\(sth08a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth08a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(sth08a03\)](#)

00:23:07 Diane Fladmo, Montana Education Association-Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

00:23:42 Executive Director Dennis Parman, Montana Rural Education Association (MREA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:24:55 Rep. Fleming

00:25:30 Shawn Graham, TRS

00:26:15 Rep. Garner

00:27:09 Shawn Graham, TRS

00:28:09 Rep. Webber

00:28:38 Shawn Graham, TRS

Closing by Sponsor:

00:30:17 Rep. M. Ryan

HEARING ON HB 68

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:31:02 Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D), HD 99, opened the hearing on HB 68, Revise university system retirement plan participation requirements.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:36:27 Shawn Graham, Teacher's Retirement System (TRS)

00:40:54 Diane Fladmo, Montana Education Association-Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:41:46 Rep. Skees

00:42:07 Shawn Graham, TRS

00:42:35 Rep. Skees
00:42:49 Shawn Graham, TRS

Closing by Sponsor:

00:44:18 Rep. M. Ryan

HEARING ON HB 72

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:44:45 Rep. Ryan Lynch (D), HD 76, opened the hearing on HB 72, Increase university system supplemental contribution to TRS.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:45:51 Shawn Graham, Teacher's Retirement System (TRS)

[EXHIBIT](#)(sth08a04)

00:54:51 Diane Fladmo, Montana Education Association-Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:58:24 Rep. Greef
00:59:19 Shawn Graham, TRS
01:01:14 Rep. Custer
01:01:45 Shawn Graham, TRS
01:02:28 Rep. Staffanson
01:02:51 Shawn Graham, TRS
01:04:31 Rep. Skees
01:05:22 Shawn Graham, TRS
01:07:01 Rep. Skees
01:08:21 Shawn Graham, TRS
01:10:08 Rep. Skees
01:10:28 Shawn Graham, TRS
01:12:46 Rep. Skees
01:13:32 Shawn Graham, TRS
01:15:47 Rep. Garner
01:16:12 Shawn Graham, TRS
01:16:37 Rep. Garner
01:17:08 Shawn Graham, TRS

Closing by Sponsor:

01:17:35 Rep. R. Lynch

HEARING ON HB 159

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:18:38 Rep. Rob Cook (R), HD 18, opened the hearing on HB 159, Designate Shelby veterans' memorial.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:20:06 Melissa Lewis, City of Shelby

01:22:26 Roger Hagan, Enlisted Association of the National Guard of Montana (EANGMT), American Legion of Montana

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:25:01 Rep. Hayman

01:25:22 Rep. R. Cook

01:25:52 Rep. Skees

01:26:20 Rep. R. Cook

Closing by Sponsor:

01:26:41 Rep. R. Cook

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:27:11

Joanne Kauzlarich, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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